

TWO FIERCE BATTLES. THIRTY SEVEN KILLED AND 140 WOUNDED.

AMERICANS WERE VICTORIOUS

Sevilla Captured. United States Troops in sight of Santiago.

Jamaica, June 25, 9 a. m., via Kingston, Jamaica, 11:30 a. m.—Dismounted American cavalrymen forced their way this morning (Friday) over the rough mountain trail and encountered the Spanish infantry in a dense thicket on a high plateau almost overlooking the City of Santiago de Cuba and routed them after a sharp battle lasting one hour.

This afternoon, strongly reinforced by the arrival of additional forces, the cavalrymen held a position a little more than five miles from the Spanish stronghold in Southeastern Cuba, preparing for a general movement on that city.

Today's victory was not without the shedding of American blood, and sixteen of the troops lie under the ground on the field of battle and sixty others are in the field hospital suffering from wounds. Of these, eight or ten will probably die.

It is believed that the enemy's loss was at least fifty dead, besides many wounded.

The initial fight of Col. Wood's Rough Riders and the troopers of the first and tenth Regular Cavalry, will be known in history as the battle of La Quisiera. That it did not end in a complete slaughter of the Americans was not due to any miscalculation in the plan of the Spaniards, for as perfect an ambush as was ever formed in the brain of an Apache Indian, was prepared and Lieut. Col. Roosevelt and his men walked squarely into it. For an hour and a half they held their ground, under a perfect storm of bullets from the front and sides and then Col. Wood at the right and Lieut. Col. Roosevelt at the left, led a charge which turned the tide of battle and sent the enemy flying over the hills toward Santiago. It is now definitely known that sixteen men on the American side were killed, while sixty were wounded or are reported to be missing.

It is possible to calculate the Spanish losses, but it is known that they were far heavier than those of the Americans, at least, as regards actual loss of life. Already thirty-seven dead Spaniards have been found and buried, while many others are undoubtedly lying in the thick underbrush on the side of the gully and on the slope of the hill, where the main body of the enemy was located. The wounded were all moved.

SEVILLA CAPTURED BY CHAFFEE.
Off Santiago, June 26.—A decisive battle is expected at any moment. General Wheeler's division was within ten miles of the city Friday night, and was joined by General Shafter this morning, while Sampson has reduced every shore battery of defense for two miles either way of Santiago. Chaffee's wing of Wheeler's command captured and took possession of Sevilla, seven miles from the city, after a sharp battle.

The official report places the American loss at twenty-one killed and eighty wounded. The Spaniards left thirty-nine dead on the field.

From the positions occupied by the troops they can plainly see the streets and inhabitants of Santiago. It is reported that a large number of wounded are entering the city at stated intervals. **TWO BATTLES WERE FOUGHT THERE.**

Practically two battles were fought at the same time, one by the Rough Riders under the immediate command of Col. Wood, on the top of the plateau, and the other on the hillside several miles away by the regulars, with whom was Gen. Young.

The expedition started from Juraguá marked on some Cuban maps as Altare, a small town on the coast nine miles east of Moro Castle, which was the first place occupied by the troops after their landing at Baiquiri last Wednesday.

ANOTHER FIGHT REPORTED.

Roosevelt Men Said to Have Been Attacked Once More by Spaniards.

New York, June 25.—A copyrighted dispatch to the world from Playa del Este, dated today says:

Lieut. Col. Roosevelt's Rough Riders, who were ambushed yesterday, advanced at daylight without any particular plan of action as to how to strike the enemy. The men marched noisily through the narrow road in the woods, talking volubly, when suddenly they struck the Spanish lines.

Fierce fire was poured into their ranks and there began a great fight in the thickets. Nothing of the enemy was visible to our men, who displayed much gallantry. In fact their bearing was superb and could not be finer. They suffered heavy loss, however, due to the remarkably wrong idea of how the Spanish bushwhack. It was a gallant blunder.

VESUVIUS HAS A COLD.

Coughed Three Times Sunday Night and Cervera is Still Bottled Up.

Santiago de Cuba, via Kingston, Jamaica, June 27.—It is believed that Cervera planned to rush out of the harbor last night. Extra precautions were taken to prevent the escape of his fleet and the vesuvius fired three gun cotton shells in the direction of Moro Castle.

NEWARK IN A COLLISION.

Nine Thousand Troops Leave Tampa to Reinforce Shafter.

Washington, June 29.—It is asserted tonight that nine thousand men, under General Snyder, left Tampa late this afternoon for Santiago to reinforce General Shafter. They will arrive at Baiquiri Monday night.

The navy department received word tonight that the cruiser Newark and the dispatch boat Dolphin, of the Cuban patrol squadron, have had a collision, in which the Dolphin was considerably damaged. No particulars were given. The Dolphin will have to go into dry dock to be repaired.

KILLED IN CAMP BY LIGHTNING.

Fred Nicholas of the Second New York Struck Dead at Tampa—Fourteen Wounded

Tampa, Fla., June 24.—Fred Nichols, private in Company C of the Second New York Regiment, was struck by lightning to night and killed instantly. Fourteen others of the company and regiment were severely shocked.

Nichols was one of the youngest as well as one of the most popular men in his company. The storm was one of the usual summer storms which prevail here at this season, but which seldom do serious damage.

The site where the regiment was encamped is the same occupied by it on every practice march made by the regiment, which is generally twice each week.

Bailey Coming.

The following telegram was received by Judge Rhea from Hon. Joseph W. Bailey, democratic leader in congress, and read to the mass meeting at Abingdon Monday:

Washington, D. C., June 25.
Hon. Wm. F. Rhea—
I am more than glad to receive the promise I gave you, and you can count on me for three speeches in your district. You and your committee can name the places.

JOSEPH W. BAILEY.
It is understood that one of these speeches will be made at Abingdon. It is needless to say that Mr. Bailey will draw immense crowds, as he is one of the finest campaign orators in the United States.—Bristol Times.

CASORIA.
The Kind You Have Always Bought
Bears the
Signature
of
J. H. Watson

LOOKS LIKE BUSINESS

Commodore Watson will Visit the Spanish Coast.

The American Dogs of War Will
Bark on the Spanish Coast.

Washington, June 27.—The navy department issued the following this morning:

"Commodore Watson sails today on the Newark to join Admiral Sampson where he will take command of the armored squadron with the cruisers and proceed at once to the Spanish coast."

FEELING OF SATISFACTION.

Washington, June 27.—The official announcement here that a strong American fleet will be sent off the Spanish coast has aroused an intense feeling of satisfaction in official circles, as it sets at rest all talk of peace negotiations and shows it is clearly the purpose of the administration to follow an aggressive campaign.

This bold announcement seems to have as its purpose the recalling of Camara's fleet from Port said. He is on the way to the Philippines.

It is said that while the government has not any fear about Dewey's safety, they much prefer to engage the fleet off the Spanish coast, and let matters be quiet at Manila.

Admiral Watson will probably include in the fleet the Oregon, Iowa, Brooklyn, New York, St. Paul and St. Louis. A partial official list given out by the navy department names as the eastern squadron the battleships Oregon and Iowa, the auxiliary cruisers Yosemite, Dixie, Yankee, colliers, Scindia, Abundant, and the flagship Newark.

Richlands Items.

DEAR EDITOR:—Probably a few news items from this neighborhood would interest a large number of your readers.

W. P. Rogers, a prominent merchant here, has been sick for ten days. His accounts for his absence from the Democratic convention. Nothing but sickness can keep Rogers from a convention of his party.

Some of our farmers planted too much corn. Though the corn is waist-high, yet the weeds are of the same height and give the stalk a beautiful appearance.

Taylor and William Strison, of Russell, have been on a visit to Baptist Valley. They returned Monday. These young men stood high in Old Dominion College last year.

Zeb Vance Carter and Wade Hampton Carter write that they will return to O. D. C. next session. The latter is an expert in military tactics and was successful in drilling the College company.

Mr. Stuart Richardson, a young medical student from Richmond, is visiting his sister, Mrs. W. B. Spratt. He will remain until school opens in Richmond, Oct. 1st.

Dr. W. R. Williams, son of Cyrus Williams, of Pounding Mill, has been successful in performing a wonderful operation for his patient, Mrs. Geo. Mays.

There will be no Normal here this summer. Prof. Hutton is engaged to teach in the Normal to be conducted by W. J. Kendrick, Supt. of Russell County, at Housker, Va., which begins July 18.

J. B. Crabtree has been receiving some very large checks, returns for shipment of lumber.

W. P. Farmer, a railroad man, has just harvested a fine crop of wheat, which will yield about 300 bushels.

HERMES.

Direct News From Hobson.

Santiago de Cuba, June 26 '98.
To N. Y. World Correspondent.

Hobson, Nova Scotia:
Hobson is in a spacious front room on the ground floor of the barracks, in which is a large window looking on the road. The food supplied him is good and not limited to regulation ration.

Hobson is allowed wine, but some things are wanting in consequence of the blockade causing a dearth of many articles. Hobson has repeatedly expressed to me his satisfaction at the treatment accorded to him.

Nobody here prevents his sending a message, but his rules of service forbids. His men are in a room on the same floor, with a large door in the upper part of which are iron bars, facing the barrack yard. The food is better than given to the Spanish soldiers, but the dearth of supplies causes very limited choice.

I visit them frequently.

RAMSDEN, British Consul.
—New York World.

IS IT HAUNTED?

Strange Sounds—Mysterious Appearances—The People Excited.

It may be true or it may not, that the spirits of the departed are permitted to leave that house from which it is said no traveler ever returns, and to revisit the scenes and places familiar to them on this earth, but true it is that some of the inhabitants of that part of our community between Tazewell and the Station, known as "Snake Rag," firmly believe that the spirit of men and women, perfect or imperfect, can and do make unwelcome visits to our planet after having passed out of the body, beyond the limit of time.

If we can believe the stories told by some of the people living in that community, the spirit of poor Alice Blankenship, whose tragic death we reported last week, has been among the living again, and on the very spot from which it made its exit to another world. For sometime in fact ever since the suicide, people living in the house and community where the shooting occurred, have heard uncanny, inexplicable sounds and groans and pistol shots at all hours of the day and night. A reporter of the News visited the community one evening this week, and found the people excited and wondering. Both white and colored people have heard mysterious noises in the house, of which there was only one explanation. The Wrights, a family of white people, living in the house where the suicide occurred, have been greatly annoyed on several occasions by the mysterious visitants. Mrs. Wright said that one night she heard a pistol shot in the next room and a sort of scramble. Her daughter was awakened one night by a whispering in her ear, but saw no one. Another member of the family felt a peculiar trembling movement about the bed on which she was sitting.

Rev. Barnes and Dave Thompson, two colored men of integrity, were called in one day last week about 2 p. m., and Rev. Barnes heard moans and groans for which he could not account. Some of the people went so far as to tear up the floor of the room to try to find the source of the strange sounds, but without satisfactory discovery. One white girl testifies that she saw Alice Blankenship, the suicide, standing at one corner of the house with her hand up to her head. And so the story goes.

Certain it is that the colored people in the community (some of them) are firmly convinced that "dat house am haunted, sho." The colored boys run when they pass the house, and give it a wide berth after dark. We asked several colored men if they would live in the house, and they invariably replied, "no indeed boss, wouldn't stay in dat house one night, if you gib it to me—no suh, I aint got no business wid dat house."

Mr. Green Brooks, whose wife is a sister of Mrs. Alice Blankenship, the suicide, lived in the same community at the same time, has moved away, on account of these disturbances it is said, but this Mr. Brooks denies. Where this thing will end or how, we do not pretend to say, but it is clear, that superstition, and a belief in "haunts," is not unknown among us.

NUMBER 107 SHIPS.

**Sampson's Fleet the Largest Ever
Directed by a Single Officer.**

Washington, June 29.—Gen. Shafter reports that he has surveyed the field and could carry Santiago by assault in forty-eight hours; but it has been decided to wait until the big guns are in position to carry the city by bombardment instead of by assault. Orders were sent to Sampson this morning directing him to extend the limits of the blockade, as provided by the President's proclamation.

Sampson has the largest fleet of vessels under his command ever directed by a single officer. It numbers 107.

The distinguished New York chemist, T. A. Slocum, demonstrating his discovery of a reliable and absolute cure for Consumption (Pulmonary Tuberculosis) and all bronchial, throat, lung and chest diseases, stubborn coughs, catarrhal affections, general decline and weakness, loss of flesh, and all conditions of wasting away, will send THREE FREE BOTTLES (all different) of his New Discoveries to any afflicted reader of the CLINCH VALLEY NEWS writing for them. His "New Scientific Treatment" has cured thousands permanently by its timely use, and he considers it a simple professional duty to suffering humanity to donate a trial of his infallible cure.

Science also develops new wonders, and this great chemist, patiently experimenting for years, has produced results as beneficial to humanity as can be claimed by any modern genius. His assertion that lung troubles and consumption are curable in any climate is proven by "heartfelt letters of gratitude," filed in his American and European laboratories in thousands from those cured in all parts of the world.

Medical experts concede that bronchial, chest and lung troubles lead to Consumption, which, interrupted meant speedy and certain death.

Simply write to T. A. Slocum, 209 Pine Street, New York, giving post-office and express address, and the free medicine will be promptly sent. Sufferers should take instant advantage of his generous proposition. I have told the Doctor that you saw his offer in the CLINCH VALLEY NEWS.

Falls Mills Items.

Falls Mill, Va., June 28 '98.
Editors C. V. News,
Tazewell, Va.,

Gentlemen:—I enclose some more locals from our little village. I think it would be so interesting if more would send in the locals from their homes.

Yours Truly,
S. Z. G.

The above is from one of our best correspondents. He is right. A county paper ought to be filled with county news, but how are we to publish the news unless it is sent to us? Send us the locals from your community. Ens.

Miss Nannie Gillespie returned from a two months visit to Paris, Ky. She was visiting her sisters, Mrs. Rose Lusk and Mrs. Ben Parker.

Dr. Faulkner, wife and child were in our village last week. He wished to locate here, but could neither procure a place for himself and family to board nor rent a house. A good physician in our neighborhood would be a great convenience, as the nearest one is three miles distant.

Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Ratliff, of Raven, Va., were visiting the family of their uncle, Wm. Mullins, last week.

Madam Rumor occasionally reports that we are to have some weddings in the neighborhood soon, but so far they have failed to materialize.

Messrs. J. W. Hackworth and S. W. Marrs, two of our young men with wonderful "sporting" proclivities, went up to Springfield Friday. What can the attraction be? But that can be very readily explained when one thinks of the many pretty girls that Springfield affords.

Mr. Edward Buckland and Miss Ella Gillespie are right sick now. Mr. B. has a very severe attack of biliousness, and it is feared that Miss G. has typhoid fever, though in a mild form. Their many friends wish them a speedy recovery.

Rev. Jas. H. Gillespie will preach for us next Sunday.

Mrs. Trigg Tabor, and children, of Welch, W. Va., are visiting the family of Mr. Samuel F. Tabor, on Mud Fork.

Hurrah for our next Congressman, Judge W. F. Ithen! Falls Mills will give him a rousing majority next November. We appreciate the kind compliment the Editors paid our former locals in comparison with our name. Well we must confess that "Greenhorn" is a somewhat unusual, and at the same time suggestive, cognomen; and we regret that we must be remembered in the ages to come as only a "Greenhorn," yet we cannot prevent it—unless we have the Legislature to change it for us. Neither are we responsible for the other part of our name "Simon Zaphnathpanneh."

SIMON Z. GREENHORN.

Burkes Garden Items.

Mr. John Blundy had the pleasure of opening up the harvest this year in the Garden. Others will follow soon.

Messrs. W. J. Wynn and Will Gros close left the Garden last week for Washington. They left their widows behind. I suppose there will be "more to follow."

Rev. J. H. Wyse was installed pastor of the Lutheran Church here last Sunday. Rev. L. A. Fox, D.D., of Roanoke, preached the installation sermon.

We are having some nice showers now. They are good on the corn and grass, but hard on the wheat and new hats.

Mr. E. L. Greener and R. S. Moss were visiting home folks Sunday.

Rev. J. H. Wyse moved his family to the Garden last week. We are glad to recognize him as one among us.

Prof. J. T. Peery and Mr. T. R. Boling were quite a hearty smile all last week. Wonder where the boys were last Sunday evening a week. Hurry up boys, "Mike" seems to be carrying the day.

Bluestone Items.

Rev. J. W. Smith preached an excellent sermon at our church Sunday, on sin. We did not know Bro. Smith, he left his beaver hat at home.

Mr. A. St. Clair has returned from Italy where he spent a few days.

Mr. W. A. Reynolds has returned from Bluedale, where he was seeking a job, and reports dull times.

Mr. F. M. Slade has painted his house and is fixing up his home in general.

Mr. J. H. Bone is fixing to build him a new house near the old camp ground.

Mr. Will Pardee has been on the sick list for some time, but is improving now.

Mr. Wm. C. Harman has out a large cup of corn this year. He says it keeps him and his boys busy to keep the weeds down.

Mr. W. B. Yost was out at church Sunday for the first time for several months.

People are very busy harvesting on Bluestone this week. Wheat is fine.

Our young gentlemen, of Bluestone, go Klondike very often and always come back with their jingling full of gold, but it generally flies to their head.

Mr. Wm. Slocum is suffering very much with a headache, and is unable to leave his home. Messrs. A. P. Tabor and E. A. Hale have commenced harvesting.

CYCLOPE.

CASTORIA.

Bears the
Signature
of
J. H. Watson

Poverty and fashion.

(We insert the following as it came to our hands. Ens.)

One of the greatest sins that ever existed on this earth is fashion. I overheard a conversation between two very stylish ladies the other day, I wonder why Miss N. made her dress in that ridiculous way, big sleeves, sham, I don't know why did not make small sleeves. Yes, small sleeves is all the fashion now, and if I couldn't follow the style I would stay at home, do you think I would go to church with such a dress on No, that is the reason why you never see the poor class of people at church. Why is it there is so many poor people, because the rich people grinds the poor people to the earth. It they want to rent a piece of ground from a well to do man he will say no it would be half worked the lady no, a count thing he never have any thing. Why because he never has a chance to tell me how people can work when they haven't got any thing to work on, the rich man will dress up on his plug hat boss has hired me a round, they do all the work and he gets all the profit, you never see people in society. Why, because they can't keep up with the style, if you see a very stylish person with a new dress on and you will say I would love to have one made like it, and you go and have one made just like it, and you just take notice and you will see that the stylish lady as you call her will never wear hers again. Why, because she will stick up her little nose and say look at that poor ignorant girl with a dress on like mine do you think I would wear a dress like hers. No Never, Ladies do you know all the style arraigned from sin, why not just wear a plain dress I think it is more becoming than all the ruffles and puffs, how do you expect poor people to keep up with the styles when it changes every change in the moon, and you must know poor people have to make out on 1 or two dresses in a year and they would wear out their dresses changing them to try and keep in toe style. I think if people would quit stunting a hunt so much style and think if higher and nobler things, they would get a long better. Stylish people what are you going to do with your style when you come to die you can't take your money to heaven with you. What do you think about it Madge, OLD AUNT BETSY.

North Tazewell Items.

Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Peery, at North Tazewell, are the proud parents of a fine boy baby, and mother and child are well.

Dr. Connor Hall is rapidly convalescing from an attack of gastric fever. His sister, Mrs. Laura Shellen has been at the family homestead some days.

Misses Kate and Mattie Smyth moved to their cottage at the Peery Healing Springs last week.

The first colored volunteer from Tazewell is Geo. Smoot, from Kelly.

The News has failed to mention two fair visitors to North Tazewell. They are Misses Lillian and Bettie Simmons, of Max Meadows, who are visiting their cousin, Miss May Hall.

Farmer Richeson, a son of Capt. Richeson, who has been a clerk of the Greenbrier Coal and Coke Company, and his brother, Charley, have both volunteered and have been mustered into the army.

Springville Items.

DEAR EDITORS—I will write you a few lines for your most excellent paper, and hope they will be acceptable.

Rev. W. W. Pyott preached an interesting discourse at Springville school house Sunday night. There was a large and attentive audience.

Miss Dora Carter, who has been quite ill, is now better.

Messrs. Geo. W. Hambright and T. R. Gillespie were visiting home folks last week.

We were honored with quite a number of visitors Saturday and Sunday, including Misses Janet Gillespie, Lou Finner and Mary Kirtner and Messrs. J. H. Hackworth, S. A. Marrs and J. H. Fink, of Falls Mills and Mr. W. L. Shawver, Jr., of Clear Fork. We were glad to see these young people. We hope they will come often.

Misses Magda and Slade Wallace visited friends and relatives in Horsepen Cove last week.

Miss Eliza Gillespie, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. J. M. Johnson, returned home Sunday.

We hear that wedding bells will ring soon. For particulars ask Miss F. R. V. Mr. T. S. Hankins is wearing his broadest smiles. On being asked the reason he replied, "It's a voter."

We have a large and interesting Sunday School at this place. It is said to be the best we have had for years.

Mrs. Pyott, who has been sick for a few days is convalescing.

Glen, the little son of C. M. Stephenson, is very ill with cholera-infantum.

Mr. N. L. Crockett, the popular musician, has been visiting friends and relatives for a few days. We are always glad to see Uncle "Newt" and his fiddle.

Mr. Ed Carter, who has been ill for some time with heart trouble, was thought to be better Sunday night. Heart trouble is painful, but not always fatal.

Miss Sallie L. Wallace is contemplating a visit to Bluestone this week.

Mr. W. D. Wallace is expected home to spend the Fourth. We shall be glad to see him. It has been a long time since we saw him. SHAKESPEARE, Springville, Va., June 27 1898

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POSTOFFICE.

Mail for west closes office 12:40 p. m.

" " east " 3:45 p. m.

Office open 7 a. m. to 6:30 p. m.

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On Sunday 1 hour for distribution after arrival of each mail.

May 1, 1898. W. G. Young, P. M.

CHURCH SERVICES.

CHRISTIAN.—Rev. A. A. Ferguson, Pastor.

Preaching every Sunday morning, Sunday School 9:30 a. m. Prayer meeting every Saturday evening.

STRAS MEMORIAL EPISCOPAL.—Rev. W. D. Buckner, Rector, Divine Service on first and third Sundays of each month, at 11 a. m., and eight p. m. Holy Communion on first Sunday, at 11 a. m. Sunday School every Sunday, at 9 a. m.

PRESBYTERIAN.—Rev. W. W. Ruff, Pastor, preaching second Sundays at 11 a. m., and at Kelly at 7 p. m. Third Sundays at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. Fourth Sundays at 11 a. m., and at May's Chapel at 3 p. m. Prayer meeting Thursday at 7 p. m.

METHODIST.—I. P. Martin, Pastor, Preaching on first and third Sundays at 11 a. m., and on second and fourth at 7:45 p. m. Prayer meeting Wednesday at 7:45 p. m. Epworth League meeting each Monday night. Sunday School at 9:30 a. m. Woman's Missionary Society first Sunday at 3 p. m. Ladies Aid this Friday at 3 p. m.

BAPTIST.—Rev. W. C. Foster, Pastor, Preaching on 1st and 4th Sundays at 11 a. m., 1st and 3rd Sundays at 7:00 p. m. Prayer meeting every Thursday at 7:00 p. m. Sunday school every Sunday at 9:30 a. m. B. Y. P. U. every Monday at 7:30 p. m. Sunbeam Society on 2nd and 4th Sundays at 3:00 p. m. Woman's Missionary Society on 2nd and 4th Sundays at 4:00 p. m.

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